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INVENTION

: Jackowski et al

: Biopolymer Marker Indicative of
Disease State Having a Molecular
Weight of 1348 Daltons

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following amendment preliminary to
examination on the merits, no new matter is added:

IN THE CLAIMS:

3. (New) A method for evidencing and categorizing at least one
disease state comprising:

obtaining a sample from a patient;

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